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**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No.: 27754/21720

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants:	) Title: DROPLET DEPOSITION
	) APPARATUS
Dixon et al.	)
	)
Serial No: 09/875,619	) Group Art Unit: 2613
	)
Filed: June 6, 2001	) Examiner: Not yet assigned

**PETITION FOR A TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

*Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231*

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for a two-month extension of time to take action in this application.

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**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8)**

I hereby certify that this paper and the documents referred to as enclosed therewith are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail, postage prepaid, on December 17, 2001, in an envelope addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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**1. Small Entity Status**

- Verified statement(s) claiming small entity status is(are) attached.
- Small entity status has been established and is still effective.
- Has not been established.

**2. Extension of Time**

- This is a petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 for the total number of months checked below:

EXTENSION (Months)	FEE FOR LARGE ENTITY		FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY
One Month		\$110.00	\$55.00
Two Months	✓	\$400.00	\$200.00
Three Months		\$920.00	\$460.00
Four Months		\$1,440.00	\$720.00
Five Months		\$1,960.00	\$980.00

If an additional Extension of Time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

**Extension Fee Due With This Request: \$400.00**

**3. Method of Payment of Fees**

- Attached is a check in the amount of \$530 for the \$130 Non-Small Entity late filing surcharge as required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e) and the \$400 extension fee as required under 37 CFR 1.136(a).
- Charge Deposit Account No. 13-2855  
in the amount of: \_\_\_\_\_  
A copy of this Petition is enclosed. \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**4. Deposit Account and R fund Authorization**

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the amount enclosed or any additional fees which may be required during the pendency of this application under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 13-2855. A copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Please refund any overpayment to Marshall, Gerstein & Borun at the address below.

Respectfully submitted,

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